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October 17, 2003

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. James P. Shinehouse Marquardt Corporation Subsidiary of Ferranti International, Inc. 3725 Electronic Way Lancaster, PA 17604

RESPONSE TO OCTOBER 2, 2003 REQUEST FOR TIME EXTENSION FOR COMPLIANCE WITH JUNE 26, 2003 DIRECTIVE TO CONDUCT A RECORDS INVESTIGATION AND SUBMIT A REPORT CONCERNING PERCHLORATE DISCHARGES IN THE RIALTO, COLTON AND CHINO GROUNDWATER SUBBASINS, SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

Dear Mr. Shinehouse:

This letter is in response to the October 2, 2003 letter from SCS Engineers (SCS) on your behalf, requesting an extension of the compliance deadline contained in the above-referenced directive. As you know, our June 26, 2003 directive required submittal of a detailed description of Marquardt Corporation's (Marquardt), a subsidiary of Ferranti International, Inc., historical activities at the site of the former Marquardt facility in Rialto. Our directive required that the report be submitted by July 31, 2003.

The SCS letter suggested that Marquardt was not aware that a facility had been operated by Marquardt in Rialto until my September 11, 2003 Notice of Violation was received. However, the June 26, 2003 directive was mailed to Ferranti International, Inc., 3725 Electronic Way, PA 17604, and was not returned as undeliverable. We therefore assume that the letter was successfully delivered to the specified address.

Your request for an extension of the compliance deadline to October 24, 2003 is denied. The October 2, 2003 letter from SCS indicates that you plan to submit the required records investigation report for the former Marquardt facility by October 24, 2003. The adequacy of this submittal will be taken into consideration in evaluating the need for assessing civil liability against Marquardt, as authorized by Section 13268 of the California Water Code.

California Environmental Protection Agency



If you have any questions concerning this matter, please call Kamron Saremi at (909) 782-4304, or you may call Ann Sturdivant, Chief of our Spills, Leaks, Investigations and Cleanups Section, at (909) 782-4904.

Sincerely,

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